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#### Dear Examiner Dahbour:

in response to the non-final office action mailed on March 21, 2005, we enclose the following:

- Amendment Transmittal with Certificate of Facsimile Transmission under 37 CFR 1.8(a) dated June 15, 2005 (2 pages); and
- Amendment A with Certificate of Facsimile Transmission under 37 CFR 1.8(a) dated June 15, 2005 (5 pages).

Very respectfully,

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Applicant:

: David E. Dubats

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: 10/08/2003

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: Adjustable Strap for Ambulator

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#### AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application.

#### STATUS

2. Applicant is an independent inventor. A statement was already filed.

#### **EXTENSION OF TERM**

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant believes that an extension of term is required. A Petition and Fee for Extension of Time is attached hereto.

#### CERTIFICATE OF FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION

(37 C.F.R. 1.8 (a))

I HEREBY CERTIFY that this Amendment A, including Introductory Comments, Amendments to the Claims, and Remarks, is being transmitted by facsimile to the United States Patent and Trademark Office, Art Unit 3738, Attn: Mr. Fadi H. Dahbour, (703) 872-9306 on June 15, 2005.

Dated: June 15, 2005

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#### FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

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No additional fee for claims is required.

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#### AMENDMENT A

#### **Introductory Comments**

Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Action mailed 03/21/2005, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire 06/21/2005, the above-identified patent application is amended a first time as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.